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US Environmental Protection Agency

JFK Federal Building (HBT) 1 Congress Street Boston, MA 02114-2023

Attn.: Ernest Waterman

RE: North Parcel - Airport/Klondike Area

Pratt & Whitney, East Hartford, Connecticut

LEA Comm. No. 88UT004

Dear Mr. Waterman:

During our meeting of August 30, 2000, we discussed the process for the release of the North Parcel portion of the Airport/Klondike Area at the Pratt & Whitney (P&W) facility located at 400 Main Street in East Hartford, Connecticut from the Corrective Action obligations. We respectively request acknowledgement of the receipt of this letter as confirmation as to our understanding of the process that Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) intends to complete to satisfy the corrective action obligations for the North Parcel. In addition, we also request acknowledgement of the receipt of this letter as confirmation that the activities conducted for the Stadium Parcel satisfy the corrective action obligations for that parcel.

On the northern end of the Airport/Klondike Area is an approximately 75-acre portion (i.e., the Stadium Parcel) that has been offered to the State of Connecticut for the development of a football stadium for the University of Connecticut. This Stadium Parcel is located on the northern end of the Airport/Klondike Area in an area that is referred to as the North Parcel. This North Parcel includes the Stadium Parcel and environmental units that are immediately adjacent to the Stadium Parcel. The actual transfer of the Stadium Parcel to the State of Connecticut is occurring in two phases with the larger portion (Stadium Parcel) having been transferred in August 2000 and the remaining portion (Supplemental Stadium Parcel - approximately 3 acres) expected to be transferred in the Winter 2000/2001. A figure showing the layout of the North Parcel, Stadium Parcel, and the Supplemental Stadium Parcel is attached for your reference.

To document the investigation and remediation activities completed by P&W that have occurred on, or relate to, the North Parcel, Loureiro Engineering Associates, Inc. (LEA) has prepared and previously submitted a stand-alone report that addresses the North Parcel. The environmental units included are the former Silver Lane Pickle Company, the North Klondike Undeveloped Land Outside Storage Area, the North Klondike Undeveloped Land Soil Piles, the former Army Barracks Area, and the Rentschler Airport Area. The Unit-Specific Technical Memorandum (USTMs) that address these areas are included as part of the North Parcel Report. In addition, Marin Environmental, Inc. (Marin)

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prepared a report for the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management (OPM) for the transfer of the Stadium Parcel that has also been previously submitted.

The process was described as including the EPA review of the LEA and Marin reports, public notice of the investigation and remediation activities, a public hearing on the project, and response to public comments as necessary. We understand that EPA will complete a review including the necessary public involvement for the balance of the North Parcel to satisfy the corrective action obligation for that parcel.

We would like to indicate that it is UTC's desire that EPA begin the process of releasing from corrective action obligations the Stadium Parcel, based on the prior investigation and EPA review indicating that there are no environmental issues on that parcel. This scenario was discussed at the meeting.

In addition, we also discussed the release process for parcels that are transferred prior to EPA's formal review and release from corrective action obligations. Since the Stadium Parcel has already been transferred and the Supplemental Stadium Parcel will be in the immediate future, these parcels will be addressed along with the rest of the North Parcel.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this information, please contact me at 860-747-6181 or Joe Tota at 860-728-6510.

Sincerely,

LOUREIRO ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.

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Vice President

Attachment

pc: J. Tota, UTC

Juan Perez, USEPA

